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**STATEMENT OF PAUL J. McNULTY
REGARDING THE CASE OF
*UNITED STATES V. SABRI BENKHALA***

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This case was difficult from the start because of the secrecy and location of the conduct and the scarcity of evidence, but it was important for us to pursue. The Judge has made it clear that this entire conspiracy involved terrorism and violent jihad. We are pleased that nine of the 11 defendants have been found guilty.